

Specification Amendments

Please amend the paragraph at page 3, line 25 through page 4, line 14, by substitution as follows:

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Restricted-use areas include, for example, hospitals, theaters, ~~auditoriums, convention~~ halls, funeral parlors, houses of worship, schools, courtrooms, prisons, restaurants, dangerous sections of road (such as construction zones or high traffic areas), and so forth. These areas of restricted use are supplied to the network providers by someone representative of the location, such as a hospital administrator, theater owner, and so forth. The owner/manager of an area where it is desired to restrict wireless device usage may supply local wireless providers with the location(s) where restricted usage is desired. A subscriber may provide restricted-use areas for ~~there~~ their own use. Location information for the restricted-use areas may include coordinates defining the areas, such as coordinates of the four corners of a rectangular area, a center point and radius for a circular area, or other appropriate ways to designate various locations. The location information may be applicable only during designated periods of time and/or dates. For example, an auditorium manager may wish to restrict calls only during events at the auditorium, judges may only restrict call phone usage during trial hours in courtrooms (e.g., 9 AM to 5 PM), restaurant owners may only wish to restrict usage during business hours, and so forth. The location information may be provided only during the appropriate times or the location information may be provided with the times, and the communication device determines whether the designated area and time are both applicable before preventing activation of audible incoming call indicators.

Please amend the paragraph at page 6, line 18 through page 7, line 3 by substitution as follows:

At step 205, the communication device 119 periodically determines its current location. The communication device 119 determines its location in any number of ways as known in the art. For example, satellite-based GPS may be utilized, whereby timing and location information are transmitted from a satellite directly to a Global Positioning System (GPS) receiver, as known in the art. Another way to determine location information, known as cellular-based GPS, includes retransmission, via the transceivers 115 and 117, of GPS data, as known in the art. When the communication device 119 is not within a restricted-use area, the process continues with step 205. When the communication device 119 is within a designated area 109 at step 207, as determined by comparing the device's current location with the stored location information, the process continues with step 209, where the device's audible incoming call indicator is deactivated. The device 119 may simply deactivate its incoming call indicator or may switch the incoming call indicator to vibrate mode or another non-audible incoming call indicator. The device 119 may optionally display a message indicating that the device is in a restricted-use area 149 on the device's display ~~149~~.